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Sid,

Please see attached letter from Life Resources...your thoughts?

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See attached protest letter from Life Resources....

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Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached Letter of Protest in regard to the Positive Alternatives Grant Program. Please confirm receipt of this submission and contact me should you need anything further.

Thank You,

Christina Middleton
Executive Director
Life Resources of Georgia
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Official Protest

Name and address of Protesting Organization

Life Resources of Georgia, Inc.

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Solicitation Notice

Notice of Intent to Award

Positive Alternatives for Pregnancy and Parenting

Solicitation No: 40500-DPH0000126

Reason for Protest

1. The intended awardee, United Way of Greater Atlanta, does not qualify under the terms of the statute that created the Positive Alternative Grant Program. O.C.G.A § 31-2A-31(3) requires the contraction management agency to be an organization whose "mission and practice is to promote alternatives to abortion services at no cost." The statute was changed from merely "providing" to "promoting" to make it clear that abortion alternatives had to be the mission and goal of the contract management agency.
O.C.G.A § 31-2A-33, again reiterates that the contract management agency must meet the definition of O.C.G.A § 31-2A-31(3).
UWNG does not have a mission of promoting alternatives to abortion. They are not even neutral about abortion and until recently they provided grants to Planned Parenthood the nation's largest abortion provider. (The link to the 990 is below.) When the Atlanta Planned Parenthood shut down this grant ceased, but individuals can still donate money to Planned Parenthood through United Way. (See <https://www.unitedwayatlanta.org/fag/>)
Even if United Way did not support abortion, the grant requires more than just not supporting abortions. The statute requires that the agency have a mission of promoting alternatives to abortion. Nowhere in any of United Way's materials is there any reference to the mission of promoting alternatives to abortion. <https://www.unitedwayatlanta.org/>
2. United Way maintains a 2-1-1 number where individuals can get a referral to an abortion clinic.
3. Due to the United Way's reputation of supporting abortions, the pregnancy centers that were intended to be direct providers of services to women will not be willing to work with United Way and not apply for the grant.
4. The bid of Life Resources of Georgia was considerably lower than United Way of Greater Atlanta, and so would allow more money to go towards the services for women and children.

Supporting Evidence

<http://www.guidestar.org/FinDocuments/2014/580/566/2014-580566194-0b8e6457-9.pdf> Page 246

Desired Remedy

Revision or cancellation of the NOIA/NOA and awarding to a qualifying bidder that meets the statutory requirements of the grant program.



Executive Director
Life Resources of Georgia, Inc.

July 19, 2017

Date